REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	28 October 2004
Name of applicant/court:	The District Court at Christchurch
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	!b08.mpg
Other Known Title(s):	Not Stated
Director(s):	Not Stated
Producer(s):	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author(s):	Not Applicable
Format:	Computer Moving Image File
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language(s):	Not Stated

Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	!b08.mpg	Running Time:	0.07
Trailers:	Nil.	Running Time:	
		Total Running Time:	0.07

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer moving image file entitled *!b08.mpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

This classification is because the publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The computer moving image file depicts a boy engaging in a sexual act with a mature teenager or adult man. The boy has not yet reached puberty. The purpose of the publication is to encourage the sexual arousal of people with a sexual interest in children. This presentation advances the idea that children are available for adults' sexual gratification.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under section 3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of "a free and democratic society" to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

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